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WHAT BOLSHEVISM MEANS: TOWN FIRED FOR REVENGE



The Bolsheviks enter the town, where they held a meeting in the hope of converting the inhabitants to their pernicious creed.

TWO PLUCKY GIRLS.



Miss Dorothy Hodgeson, her co-worker.



Miss Jessie Rogers, her co-worker.

These two girls closed with a man who is charged with stealing Treasury notes at the point of a revolver from the till at their place of business at Southampton Row, London.



Angered at the small support they received, they set fire to the town.

An example of what Bolshevism really means is provided by the above photographs, which show how, in revenge for the population refusing to support their policy of murder and plunder, they razed the town to the ground. For pure savagery they are worse than the Germans in war. — (Exclusive)

MEN IN THE NEWS.



Bob Payne, a signalman on the Somerset and Dorset Railway, whose presence of mind averted a collision between a passenger and a goods train.



Senator Lodge, the U.S. Senator, who is opposed to the idea of a League of Nations, and who has proposed a resolution against its adoption.

400,000 WOMEN'S CHANCE TO VOTE

Duchess of Marlborough in L.C.C. Election Fight.

"USE YOUR VOTE" CALL.

"In view of the great work of reconstruction and the urgent need for better houses, health and education, I ask the women of London to use their votes to-day."

This is the message which Consuelo Duchess of Marlborough, who has the interests of the working-classes at heart, sends to-day, through *The Daily Mirror*, to the women electors of London.

For the first time for six years Londoners will to-day have the opportunity of voting for a new County Council.

The triennial election, which should have taken place in March, 1916, was postponed, it will be remembered, on account of the war.

Three parties are appealing to the 400,000 electors—Progressives, Municipal Reformers and Labour Party—and in many cases there are likely to be exciting contests.

DEMOCRATIC DUCHESS.

A feature of to-day's election is the number of women candidates, the total being fourteen, of whom two—Lady Tristram Eve (Municipal Reformers) and Miss Adler (Progressive) have been returned unopposed.

At the 1913 election only two of twelve women candidates were successful, the total votes cast for women being 28,775.

One of the most interesting contests will be in Southwark (North), where the Duchess of Marlborough is standing as a Progressive.

The Duchess' democratic sympathies are well known, and she has given many practical proofs of her interest in the poor.

In their joint election address the Duchess and Mr. Wightman, a local ex-pupil teacher, promise to push on housing schemes to the utmost possible extent in order to take advantage of the Government's offer to help in the cost of housing schemes completed within the next three years, and to limit the Council's risk of loss to a 1d. rate.

The Duchess' pronouncement on the question, apart from her election address, is—

WOMEN CANDIDATES.

"The fact that I have a nice home surely puts me in a position to help secure better homes for other people."

Mrs. Lloyd George has sent to the Duchess of Marlborough a letter wishing her success.

The full list of women candidates is appended:

Camberwell (North-West).—Mrs. Dunn-Gardner (M.R.).
Fulham (East).—Mrs. Hudson-Lyall (M.R.).
Lambeth (North).—Mrs. Lamartine Yates (L.).
St. Pancras (South-East).—Mrs. Hopkins (M.R.).
Shoreditch.—Misses Gwynne and Smith (M.R.).
Southwark (North).—Duchess of Marlborough (P.).
Stepney (Limehouse).—Miss Ida Samuel (P.).

There are five women Labour candidates—Mrs. C. S. Ganley in Battersea (South), Mrs. Ada Salter, Bernadette (Rotherhithe), Mrs. D. B. Montefiore, Hammersmith (South), Miss McMillan, Deptford, and Miss A. S. Lawrence, Poplar (South).

At the close of the poll the votes will be counted, but in some constituencies the results will not be known until to-morrow.

This time there are 400,000 women to vote. The new Council will consist of 124 members.

ALIEN CAPTAINS.

Sir W. W. Rutherford's Statement at Presentation to V.C.

Sir William Watson Rutherford made a remarkable statement at the presentation of a sword of honour to Lieutenant-Commander Auten, the Q-boat V.C. in Liverpool on Tuesday. He recently discovered, he said, that since the armistice no fewer than eighty alien shipmasters had been given command of British ships. Some were receiving confidential instruction from the Admiralty.

He communicated with the Admiralty, and was informed that only six were alien enemies. He had received from the Board of Trade the assurance that the rules prohibiting the admission of aliens to examinations for shipmasters were being strictly enforced.

'FLU CAUSES TRAGEDY.

Man Found Hanging After Death of Mother and Sister-in-Law.

There were forty-six members of the London Fire Brigade and 1,048 members of the Metropolitan Police Force on the sick list with influenza yesterday.

The Dean of Landaff is suffering from influenza.

Ernest Cooper was found hanging at Ramsgate yesterday, the suicide following the death from influenza of his mother and sister-in-law.

Mr. Ernest Hayes, the well-known Northern Union referee, died yesterday from influenza.

300 TANKS WE LOST LAST YEAR.

"In the last critical year of the war we lost three or four hundred tanks in the retreat,"—Mr. Churchill, in London, yesterday.



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Sir Henry Howard, whose furniture has been lost in the big fire at London depository.



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Col. E. P. England, who as a private won back his rank, having completed service, is placed on half-pay list.

NATION MUST PLAY.

Sport to Promote Prosperity and Reduce Labour Unrest.

NEGOTIATIONS WITH STATE.

Sport will promote national prosperity and reduce strikes and labour unrest.

This is the conclusion come to by a conference of associations governing sports in the United Kingdom, which met last night and decided on matters upon which negotiations have been exempt from the Government.

National prosperity must come from industrial production; industrial production depends upon health; health will be improved by sport, which is an ingrained instinct in the British people, and lack of opportunities for sport and recreation will encourage industrial unrest.

That, in brief, is the argument which is re-inforced, says the conference, by the grave situation disclosed by the very low percentage of fit men revealed by the war, and the following demands are formulated:—

More outdoor spaces, especially in view of the hundreds of thousands of new players who took up sport for the first time while in the forces.
Restoration of pre-war cheap railway facilities for those travelling to take part in sporting events.

All sports grounds not run for profit to be exempt from rates and taxes.

Amelioration of the incidence of the entertainments tax.

Baths taken for war purposes to be restored without delay in the interests of swimming.

Sir Home Gordon presided at the conference.

ANTI-ZEPP MAN.

Motor-Car Charge Against Mr. Pomeroy, Bullet Inventor.

On a charge of stealing and receiving a Ford motor-car belonging to the United States Government, John Pomeroy, aged forty-six, inventor of an anti-Zeppelin bullet, appeared at the London Sessions yesterday.

A private in the United States Army named Simpson said that by arrangement with other men he left the car which he was driving so that it might be taken by men named Harris, Anderson, and Williams, and they took it to Pomeroy's garage at Stamford Brook.

In cross-examination Simpson admitted that he had stolen the car before this and another one.

Prisoner stated that he saw an American soldier working on the car. The soldier said something had gone wrong with the engine, and he gave permission for it to be placed in the garage he did not use.

The following morning the soldier went away, leaving it in the garage. He did not see the car until the day of his arrest.

The case was adjourned.

A BABY OF THE GUARDS.

Wives and Soldier - Husbands March Through London.

Despite the murky weather and drizzling rain, Londoners gave a warm-hearted welcome to four battalions of the Guards who arrived at St. Pancras yesterday.

As hard as nails and smiling with happiness, the marching columns of men seemed to put sunshine into the gloomy London streets. The home-coming troops were the 1st and 2nd Life Guards and the 3rd Grenadier Guards.

All the approaches to the station were packed with the wives, mothers, sweethearts and friends of the returning soldiers.

The Guards marched through the City with fixed bayonets—an ancient privilege.

Beside many of the men walked their wives, and one, as the Mansion House was reached, held her baby up to the Lady Mayoress as she passed the Mansion House.

AMBUSHED THE FOXHOUNDS.

The Muskerry foxhounds were stopped yesterday by an ambushed crowd of Sinn Feiners. Horses, men and hounds were beaten with hurleys and one member of the meet had his nose injured. A revolver shot was fired, but nobody was injured.

GRIM WOOD DRAMA.

Inquest Story of "Confession" by Ex-Soldier Husband.

"NOT A HUMAN DOCUMENT."

A verdict of wilful murder was returned at an inquest at Cannock last evening on Elizabeth Gaskin, twenty-three, the victim of the Hednesford tragedy, whose husband, Henry Thomas Gaskin, twenty-seven, miner and ex-soldier, is in custody.

On the afternoon of February 19 deceased received a note from her husband, from whom she was living apart, containing the message, "Meet me by the pool at once. Important."

Superintendent Morrey handed in a statement written and signed by the accused, which began: "I, Henry Gaskin, being of sober and sound mind, do make this statement of my own free will, without fear or favour."

The coroner said it was not a human document, but that of a fiend.

Reference was made in the statement to children, and then it went on to give a grim description of a struggle in the wood.

When his wife attempted to scream, the prisoner said he broke off a twig and pushed it down her throat.

Prisoner then related how he left the body in the wood, and after attending a picture-house at Cannock in the evening, returned to the wood at Hednesford, and deposited the mutilated remains in the tank of the gasholder, where they were found.

5 SECONDS COURT DRAMA.

Colonel Rutherford for Trial—Judge and the Law's Delays.

Lieutenant-Colonel Rutherford, D.S.O., of Carshalton Place, Surrey, was yesterday committed for trial at the Old Bailey, charged with the murder of Major Miles Seton.

It was Colonel Rutherford's eighth appearance at West London Police Court, and the proceedings lasted exactly five seconds.

Colonel Rutherford stood up while the magistrate, addressing him, said: "I now formally commit you for trial."

Dealing with applications made to him yesterday by Messrs. the Rutherford and De Veulle cases, Mr. Justice Darling protested—in the case of the first against the delay taken in committing for trial, and in the second against the length of time accused people are kept in gaol.

"If these actions are very prolonged," said the Judge, "a man may serve the whole of his sentence before he is committed for trial."

The De Veulle trial was postponed to next sessions.

FROM WATER TO FIRE.

Diplomat's Furniture Salvaged from Sea Lost in Pimlico Blaze.

In Messrs. Hudson's furniture depository in Pimlico, which was on fire on Tuesday and is now a heap of smouldering ruins, was a consignment of furniture belonging to Sir Henry Howard, British ex-Minister at The Hague.

When he left Holland the goods were transferred to the steamer Yarmouth, which was sunk, but the cargo was saved by a warman, and Sir Henry's furniture was stored at Hudson's.

There were hundreds of inquirers yesterday at Messrs. Hudson's offices, eager to ascertain the fate of their possessions, and many were reassured by the announcement that only a small proportion of the deposits were in the destroyed warehouse, the firm having fifteen repositories in various districts.

1,516,000 IN MEN'S PLACES.

Number of Women Workers Increased by 1,200,000 Since 1914.

Thanks to the war there are 1,200,000 more women workers in the country than there were in 1914. This fact is contained in a White Paper issued yesterday.

In all industries and public services 1,516,000 positions, held in 1914 by men, had been filled by women in April, 1918.

In agriculture, which in 1914 only gave employment to 80,000 women, the total has risen to 113,000, in banks the figure has increased from 1,500 to 37,600, and in hospitals from 6,000 the numbers have jumped to 42,200.

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EAST END LEADS IN CHEAPER FOOD.

Barrowmen Back at Their Pre-War Trade.

CONTRAST IN PRICES.

Fruit and vegetables are abundant and cheap in the East End.

Costermongers' barrows are laden with a surprising variety of wholesome food.

No time has been lost by London's itinerant salesmen. Out of khaki, they are again selling apples and potatoes.

Yesterday *The Daily Mirror* noticed the following striking contrasts in prices:—

	West End.	East End.
Denia oranges, lb.	6d.-8d.	4d.
Golden russets, lb.	5d.-8d.	4d.
Lemons, lb.	7d.-8d.	6d.
Potatoes, lb.	11d.	1d.
Carrots, lb.	11d.	1d.
Parsnips, lb.	11d.	1d.
Greens, lb.	2d.	1d.
Cauliflowers, each	6d.-8d.	3d.-4d.
Savory, each	6d.-8d.	4d.-5d.
Celery, stick	4d.	3d.

Dessert fruit was more plentiful in the East End than in the West End:—

	West End.	East End.
Pears, each	1s. 6d. to 2s. 6d.	4d.
Grapes, lb.	2s. 6d. to 2s. 6d.	8d. to 1s.
Almonds, pint	6d.	6d.
Bananas, each	1s. 6d.	1s.

Government dates at 6d. per lb. were plentiful everywhere. The only rhubarb was seen on a coster's stall in the East End at 3d. a stick.

MEAT CHEAPER FOR A TIME.

"World Shortage and New Consumers Will Keep Up Prices."

"Is meat to be cheaper?" asked *The Daily Mirror*.

"For a time," said a meat salesman. "But after the temporary fall prices will tend to rise. Italians, Russians and many other peoples have grown accustomed to a meat ration during the war."

"Increase of supplies from South America, where Uruguay and Brazil are developing their meat trade, will be more than counterbalanced by the livestock famine in Europe."

"There is a world-shortage that will not be made good for ten years. Mutton at 5d. and 6d. a pound will never be seen again."

Eggs at 2½d. Each.—At Aberdeen yesterday eggs sold at 2s. 6d. per dozen, while in rural districts they were bought at 2s., and it was predicted they might fall to 1s. 6d.

Fish.—Hull trawler owners, at a meeting yesterday, unanimously decided not to sell any kind of fish above recent control prices.

NATIONAL FACTORY SOLD.

First One Brings Profit of £7,000—Tanks and Tin Tacks Going.

"The first national factory to be sold was disposed of to-day for £140,000. It cost £135,000, but I cannot guarantee a profit every time," said Mr. Kellaway in the Commons yesterday.

The war property which the Government had to sell was in all parts of the world, and ranged from tanks to tin tacks and guns to gloves. Estimators had valued it at £200,000,000 and £1,000,000,000.

The Government would safeguard the taxpayers' interest as much as possible and would reserve the right to sell by auction or private treaty. If all sales were by auction that would provoke the creation of rings.

Mr. Clynes asked that factories should be used for the employment, in the interval before peace, of the 700,000 persons who were receiving unemployment pay. They were costing the weekly sum of nearly a million.

UNCLE IN THE CASE.

Decree for Nephew Because of Wife's Unfaithfulness.

A wife's unfaithfulness, attempted murder by petitioner, five years' penal servitude and a decree nisi—thus is summed up the story of Albert William Hartley, now in the Army, who yesterday petitioned for divorce from his wife because of her misconduct with his (petitioner's) uncle. The suit was undefended.

The parties were married in 1910, and early in 1914 the uncle came home from Canada. As respondent and he associated a good deal, petitioner went to see him and was seriously assaulted.

Respondent subsequently admitted relations with the uncle, and petitioner, when shaving one morning, attempted to cut his wife's throat, for which he was sentenced to five years.

Decree was granted.

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"GERMANS' FIRST PAYMENT MUST BE TO SAILORS"

FIRST RECOMPENSE HUNS WILL PAY.

Premier's Promise to Seamen of Compensation.

"SEND IN YOUR CLAIMS."

"The Germans must pay for the losses of the lives of our seamen as our first claim."

"It must come before mere indemnity for war expenses."

Thus said Mr. Lloyd George in receiving a deputation from the British Mercantile Marine on the question of granting indemnities to families of men who had lost their lives at sea during the war.

"Twenty thousand seamen of the Mercantile Marine had been killed during the war, said Mr. Catherly, of the Sailors' and Firemen's Union."

"It is part of the instructions to our delegates in Paris," said Mr. Lloyd George, "that the first demand put forward must be full compensation for losses at sea, including compensation to the poor people who have suffered through their relatives having lost their lives."

"As soon as I became Prime Minister I declared that there should be full compensation for the British sailor, and we have never swerved from that as a Government."

"HE CAN PAY."

"There are a good many questions as to what the enemy's capacity is for paying huge war indemnities, but there is no doubt that he can pay, at any rate, compensation for the losses of this kind which he has brought about."

"So I am entirely with you. I want you now to hurry up with all your claims—as many as you have got, send them in to the Foreign Office, so that they may be communicated to me and my colleagues in Paris."

"Then, in a few weeks' time, the claim of the British sailors will be presented to the people who have got to meet it."

Britain and Indemnity.—In the House of Commons yesterday Colonel Guinness asked Mr. Bonar Law whether his attention had been called to the statement in the Press that the British Government had decided to make no money claim against Germany.

Mr. Bonar Law: My attention has been called to it; it does not in the least represent the intention of the Government.

"WHITTLING DOWN."

In the Commons last night Major W. Guinness raised the question of the German indemnity and suggested that the Westphalian coalfields and potash works should be run internationally. General Page Croft feared that between Lord Milner and the pressure of the United States there would be whittling down of the Bill.

Mr. J. H. Thomas warned members against supposing Germany could be called into the Peace Conference merely to ratify what others had arranged.

If the German Bolsheviks deposed Scheidemann, there would be no one to sign.

M.P.'S SALARIES NOT TO BE INCREASED.

"Pay Was Something to Help Them Along," Says Mr. Law.

Mr. Adamson, in the Commons yesterday, said that the salaries of M.P.'s should be increased. (Laughter.) The cost of living had gone up 120 per cent., which made a very serious inroad into a Labour member's salary.

"He thought the fact that the increase of Ministers' salaries was under consideration entitled his proposals to sympathetic consideration."

Mr. Bonar Law said it was not possible for the Government to agree with the Labour proposals, but there did not seem to be strong reason why the salary should not begin with election.

The difference between Ministers and members was that Ministers were whole-time men, but members with their salaries were only given something to help them along.

POLES READY TO ATTACK.

Stockholm, Wednesday.—According to reports from Kovno Polish troops have recently begun to concentrate on the Southern Lithuanian frontier in the Government of Grodno and in that of Lomza, and do not disguise their intention of attacking Lithuania.

The Polish general staff is said to have requested the German Soldiers' Council at Kovno to maintain an attitude of neutrality, and has called on it to surrender the arms and ammunition in its possession to the Poles.—Reuter.

BEATTY AT THE PALACE.

Admiral Sir David Beatty had the honour of being received by the King at Buckingham Palace yesterday.

Premier on Compensation to Sufferers from U-Boat Warfare—Before the Indemnity.

BERLIN CABINET'S CONCESSION TO SOVIETS.

The first indemnity that the enemy must pay is for the lost lives of our seamen. This promise was given yesterday by the Premier to a deputation of the Mercantile Marine. He added that our delegates in Paris had been instructed to this end.

Other News.—Mr. Lloyd George is in Paris; Mr. Wilson is on the high seas; armistice discussions begin to-day; Berlin Government is said to have made a concession to the Soviets; and a Russian yesterday fired shots outside the French President's residence.

FOCH REPORTS TO WAR COUNCIL TO-DAY.

Most Vital Part of Armistice Discussion Begins.

PARIS, Wednesday. Mr. Lloyd George arrived here at 8.40 p.m., and the Duke of Connaught arrived by the same train.

To-morrow will see the beginning of an important part of the armistice discussions.

The Supreme War Council will now settle down to an immediate solution of the armistice difficulties.

The unavoidable absence of Mr. Lloyd George and Signor Orlando has somewhat retarded the work, but the chief reason for the delay appears to be that various experts who have been entrusted with the work of drafting the military, naval and air conditions have, in some cases, been working with different ends in view.

It was therefore considered necessary yesterday to refer the conditions back to Marshal Foch and his advisers, who are working on them to-day.—Reuter.

Preparations, says the Exchange, are being made in Paris for the reception of the German plenipotentiaries to sign peace.

A committee of three, most probably M. Clemenceau, Mr. Lloyd George and President Wilson, will be named to read the conditions of peace to the Germans, who will return to Weimar to report to Parliament, and will then return to Paris to sign the peace.

This will take place in the Salle des Glaces, in the Palace of Versailles, where the proclamation of the foundation of the German Empire was made in 1871.

"WOULD YOU BE A MINER OR ACCOUNTANT?"

Mr. Smillie Asks Expert a Question "as a Man."

Dr. Stamp, the statistician, at the Coal Commission yesterday, in reply to Mr. Smillie, who asked how much the Government had received out of the mines by way of excess profit, said it was £126,000,000.

Mr. A. L. Dickinson, Financial Adviser to the Coal Controller, was asked about his estimate of the effect of the present miners' demands. "I said, replied Mr. Dickinson, 'I would put up the coal about 4s. a ton; that is the cost per ton raised. If you compare that with the selling price; it would put up the selling price rather more.'

Mr. Hodges: How did you arrive at that 4s.?" "I started by assuming that, with the men returning from the Army the output this year would be 250,000,000 tons, as compared with 228,000,000 for 1918. He estimated that the reduction owing to shorter hours would bring the output down to 230,000,000 tons."

Mr. Smillie, president of the Miners' Federation, then invited Mr. Dickinson to answer questions "rather as a man than an expert."

Mr. Smillie: The miners are asking for a higher standard of life. If you had to begin your life once again, would you prefer to be a miner to a chartered accountant?"

Mr. Dickinson: No, certainly not. (Laughter.) Would £200 a year be a decent wage for a chartered accountant?—I don't think you would get many at that figure now, but there were many before the war, at any rate, who did not get much more than that."

Mr. Smillie pointed out that the average earnings of the skilled miners for a period of forty years was £75 a year, and said that witness might take it that the miners would not desire that the witness' profession should be sweated, but that every person should have a salary ("I dare not say wage," Mr. Smillie added) which was sufficiently high to enable men to live in comfort. The Witness: Certainly.

Mr. Smillie: Do you think that any man giving a useful life to the State in the production of coal ought to be housed in the conditions you saw?"

Witness: I have seen some almost too bad to describe, but some rather model, up-to-date houses which would hardly be improved upon.

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MR. WILSON ON THE HIGH SEAS.

Fighting Speech—Says U.S. Is Behind Him.

"EUROPE SICK AT HEART."

NEW YORK, Wednesday.

The liner George Washington, with the Wilson party on board, sailed from Hoboken at 8.20 this morning for France.

She passed Sandy Hook at 9.55 and headed for the open sea with an escort of one cruiser and five destroyers. The party stood on the bridge, waving to the small crowds on shore from Hoboken to the Narrows. There was no demonstration.—Exchange.

The President has cabled to Paris that he is satisfied that America is overwhelmingly behind him in supporting the League of Nations.—Reuter.

"OVER THERE."

I will not come back, said Mr. Wilson in his speech at the Metropolitan Opera House in New York, till it's over "over there," and it must not be over until the nations of the world are assured of the permanency of peace. No party in the long run will dare to oppose the League of Nations.

Europe is sick at heart because its statesmen have had no vision and have never been able to defend the peoples against intrigue or aggression.

The Treaty of Peace will be inoperative without the constant support and energy of a great organism, such as the League of Nations.

AMERICA'S VOICE.

The first thing that I am going to tell the people on the other side of the water is that an overwhelming majority of the American people is in favour of the League of Nations. I know that that is true.

One of the things that the League of Nations is intended to watch is the course of intrigue. Intrigue cannot stand publicity, and if the League were nothing other than a great debating society it would kill intrigue.

The League of Nations is meant as a notice to outlaw nations that not only Great Britain, but the United States and the rest of the world, will go in to check enterprises of that sort.

The men who criticised the League of Nations had never felt the pulse of the heart of the world. He was amazed that there should be such ignorance of the state of the world.

A WARNING.

"I want," declared the President, "to utter the solemn warning that the forces of the world do not threaten; they operate."

"The great tides of the world do not give notice that they are going to rise. They rise in their majesty and overwhelming might, and those who stand in the way are overwhelmed."

Ex-President Taft, who preceded the President, said the League would not endanger American rights or interfere with the Monroe Doctrine, but he admitted that alterations might be made in the draft.

IRELAND'S DEMANDS.

The President received an Irish Home Rule delegation, to which he replied, when asked, to advocate "Ireland's rights" at the Peace Conference, that while he personally sympathised with Irish aspirations, he could not as head of the nation give the answer asked for; he must be allowed to meet

PASSCHENDAELE.

The British losses in the battle for Passchendaele Ridge, which began on July 31, 1917, and raged in bad weather in the Ypres salient until November 18, 1917, were 258,837, made up as follows:—Regular and Territorial Forces—Officers, 10,795; other ranks, 207,838.

Canadians—Officers, 496; other ranks, 11,917.

Australians.—Officers, 1,289; other ranks, 26,502.

These figures were given by Mr. Churchill in the Commons yesterday.

the situation by methods which seemed best to him.

After the Opera House meeting, a body of suffragettes tried to burn the text of his speech and they were attacked by the police and civilians, their banners torn to shreds, and six of the women arrested.

AIR SERVICE POSTPONED.

Owing to the disturbed conditions in Spain, the official flight from London to Madrid, so the Air Ministry announces, has been postponed.



M. Poincaré, the President of the French Republic.



Mr. Catherly, who stated sailors' case to the Premier.

GERMAN GOVERNMENT'S STRUGGLE FOR LIFE.

Reported Concession to Strikers—Soviets Recognised?

"Knowing that this is a struggle for life, the Government will take the strictest measures."

Thus says the *Deutsche Allgemeine*, the paper of the German Government.

From all sides come messages of strife and unrest in Germany. The latest telegram, however, says:—

"From Weimar it is stated on trustworthy authority that the negotiations between representatives of the Berlin Majority Socialists and the Cabinet, which lasted late into the night, took a favourable course."

"The workers' deputation will return to-night to Berlin in order to lay the Government's proposals before the strikers for their sanction."

The number of Government troops in Greater Berlin has been increased to 23,000 men, says a Reuter cable telegram.

The strike is reported to be making progress in the country. At Halle martial law has been proclaimed, and at Hamburg, where all the miners are on strike.

A later telegram from Reuter's Copenhagen correspondent states that the Prefecture of Police is still in the Government's hands.

Several people were killed and wounded in the Alexander Platz.

In the suburbs the Spartacists occupied thirty-two police stations.

The offices of the newspaper *Rote Fahne* (Red Flag) were occupied by Government troops and the editor arrested.

REVOLVER SHOTS BEFORE M. POINCARÉ'S PALACE.

An Anarchist Arrested—Against Armed Intervention in Russia.

At nine o'clock this morning a Russian subject named Kneller, known to the police as an anarchist, fired two revolver shots in front of the Ellysée Palace (the residence of President Poincaré).

He was disarmed by the police and Republican Guards on duty at the palace.

At the police station he declared that the object of his demonstration was to protest against armed intervention by the Allies in Russia.—Exchange.

Kneller, says a Central News message, was identified as a native of Ukraine, aged thirty-three, and was known as an adherent of Bolshevism, whilst a Reuter message says he had been living with a woman who was recently expelled from France.

Soon washed and dried

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Daily Mirror

THURSDAY, MARCH 6, 1919.

IF WOMEN RULED LONDON

THE male London ratepayer is an odd disappearing and reappearing sort of person.

Most of the year he spends time and typewriters in addressing the newspapers on the subject of rates.

He vociferously complains of them.

He is horribly haunted by that bi-annual General Ratepayer, demanding preposterous sums—"for nothing," as he puts it; but partly, as the middle-class man might put it, for the education and nurture of the children of another more prolific and less-rate-paying class; which class, when told the figure of rates in middle-class districts, is surprised and has never heard of them.

An attitude of non-recognition that still more exasperates the ratepayer!

So he goes on, all the year, denouncing "municipal extravagance, metropolitan socialism."

He goes on for three years.

Then, another municipal election takes place.

Utter disappearance of the London ratepayer!

Not to be found. Nowhere to be seen. Doesn't vote.

Why is it? Must this civic apathy continue? We put these questions to women.

We hope that, to-day, all women municipal voters will punctually use their votes; and so shame the male voters who, at past contests, have failed to use theirs.

Further, we hope that all of the remaining dozen women candidates will be elected.

Yes—all. Because this matter of the governance of London is one that especially concerns women: because women have to work and manage and make habitable the houses and streets and all the domestic "properties" that come under the control of the London County Council. Women know. Women mainly suffer from inadequate housing, insanitary streets, bad supplies, bad civic surveyance. Women, then, ought to vote. And women ought also to be elected.

We hope that the disappointment of the General Election will not be repeated as far as the introduction into municipal politics of special feminine experience is concerned.

For this is, after all, not so much a business for acrimonious political controversy and hard-and-fast divisions. All parties—"progressive" or "reform" or "Labour" or "Socialist"—promise the same programme: a better London with nobody any the worse off in pocket.

The point is, how the improvement is to be effected. And the answer: "Only by the full collaboration of practical people on the Council." And women, as you know, are practical: whether duchesses or "working" wives.

What will be the result of a representation and an influence of practical women on the comfort and control of our big cities?

We are certain that the housing business would be shelved no longer. We are sure that the houses built and rebuilt would no longer be of the hopelessly inconvenient and extravagant type, obsolete even in the days when the Romans came to Britain and taught us how to build—for the Roman had hot-water pipes for heating.

We are convinced that the milk scandal, the influenza plague scandal, the public vehicle overcrowding scandal, and other scandals—all scandals except talking scandal—would be approached with hostility, if not killed outright. We seem to-day already in hope to see an army with banners advancing.

The London-rescue-army of women!

W. M.

A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY.

Natural laws we shall never modify, embarrass us as they may; but there is still something in the nobler or less noble attitude with which we watch their fatal combination.—Walter Pater.

THE ATTRACTION OF THE GUARDED GIRL

WHY HER ELDERLY FEMININE PROTECTORS MAY RETURN.

By VIOLET HUNT

(The well-known novelist.)

LATELY *The Daily Mirror* has published something—and I have been reading a good deal—about the disappearance of the chaperon: that elderly guard who used to be set over the "young lady" at dances and parties.

I ask myself: "Does the young lady realise quite all that this protective shield or guard meant to her in old days? Isn't she very ungrateful in shelving her? Wasn't the old dear very useful?"

I don't mean in the way of keeping the young person from danger.

I mean in the way of heightening the young person's attractions.

The chaperon (I reflect) is a French word, meaning a hood.

It is good for hawks, but it was no use to

But if the chaperon is left at home she has no means of gaining that knowledge.

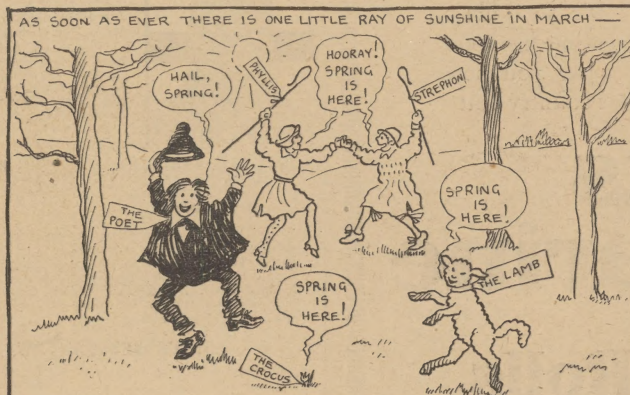
You cannot lead if you have no light. If mother or auntie can dance, so much the better; but the best way to keep in touch with ballroom conditions (which nowadays change—nightly—in the twinkling of a fox-trot, as you may say) is just to sit against a wall for four hours. Lookers-on see most of this game.

ADVICE FOR "YOUNG LADIES."

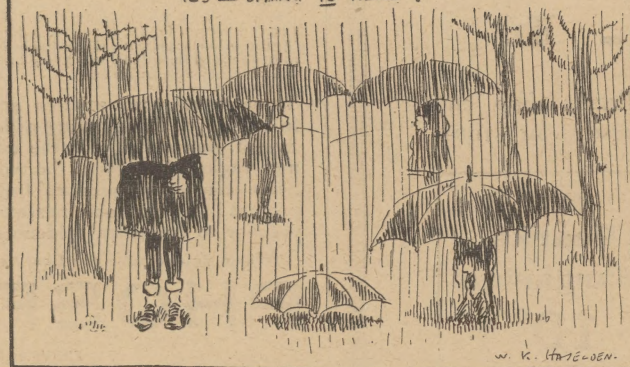
And though Miss X, of course, knows perfectly well how to take care of herself, since she has driven a car in France for four years, she still needs someone to watch over the delicate flower of her prestige, to create for her the atmosphere of romance, with a touch of danger, in which she should by rights move and have her social being. In a word, the chaperon suggests danger. And that is what men like.

For "young ladies" are nothing without their appeal to men's chivalry. Will the lion care to walk beside Una if she has already, in her frank modern way, "dealt with him," and allowed

OUR PREMATURE HOPES OF SPRING.



YES — SPRING IS HERE!



It is the same every year. A little sun. A lot of talk about spring. Then a lot of rain and more winter.—(By W. K. Haselden.)

little Red Riding Hood. With the idea of the "chaperon" in falconry is connected the idea of being "hoodwinked"—or hoodwinking.

I conclude that chaperonage is an art—the art of sexual camouflage—and no mistake ought to be made about its uses.

It represents a sheer necessity for the practical young person of refined sensibilities, who does not care to do her own protective work—automatic though it should be. Tiburina, mother, auntie—whatever you may call the elderly protector—should be clever at raising obstacles to be overcome, at propounding minor dilemmas which exercise and stimulate male inventiveness. The fly, the ultimate victim, likes to think there is "something to get over" on the road to his own destruction. The protector can promote a tantalising inaccessibility, an effect of claustrophobia. . . . All camouflage!

But she must learn how to do it.

A partisan of the chaperon suggests somewhere that, though abolished, she may make herself useful by "warning her charge against the pitfalls which she knows to exist, and giving her the benefit of her larger knowledge."

him to infer, from her unprotectedness, that both she and, more important, her people have come to regard him as utterly negligible? He will like to consider that he has not lost his leonine proclivities, although his claws are politely sheathed.

Armidia will feel the want of her enchanted garden; Brynhild needs her curtain of flame and the hint of a sword to follow. And surely, in these mild times that are coming, there will be nobody to do it except the decimated and fallen chaperon!

In the last resort, it will be she, or a modified form of her, who will have to "make a long arm" and hang the apple high enough, as Sappho sang. Sappho, surely of all women the least chaperoned, would appear, from this fragment, to have regretted the fact. "As the sweet apple blushes at the end of the bough . . . the very end of the bough . . . which the gatherers forgot not . . . but could not reach . . ."

Sweet fruit out of reach is all the more delightful in aspect.

When modern girls realise this the elderly person, the protector, the chaperon, may return.

VIOLET HUNT.

THE TIME FOR MARRIAGE

DO OUR WOMEN PREFER THE "MIDDLE-AGED MAN"?

THE WAR'S INFLUENCE.

THERE is no "right age for marriage."

All depends on the minds and characters of the people marrying.

Some are babies at thirty. Others are mature at twenty.

On the whole, the war has tended to make our young men—young in years—older in mind and therefore better fitted for marriage. F. M. T.

"SECOND THOUGHTS."

I DO not think that Miss Norman looks at the question of "Early Marriages" very broadly.

It is certainly very true that second thoughts, yes, and even third thoughts, are best when marriage is contemplated. But does your correspondent seriously recommend the "thinking about it" to extend to that time when they can "regard each other thoughtfully"—whatever that may mean exactly.

Don't think I am at all sure that I should like my wife to regard me thoughtfully, not as a regular thing, and somehow I believe she wouldn't like me to regard her that way either.

One thing I feel sure of, and that is that the man or woman who misses marriage in what your contributor terms, and rightly, the stage of enthusiasm, misses the best of life.

Please don't let us try to compare marriage with a business deal!

Wicked, and, besides, they don't correspond anywhere. They don't resemble one another in any one tiny particular. Anyone who calls marriage a "business transaction" is a—well, a Hun, but infinitely more to be pitied. Swinburne-street, Derby. J. T. B.

HE KNOWS!

MIDDLE-AGED men are fond of writing and explaining that the girls all like them.

Let them think so.

We younger ones know better!

AGED TWENTY.

South Park-terrace, Glasgow.

"OUT OF CONTROL."

I HAVE not found that the housewife in my district is so very eager to see foodstuffs out of control.

We have grown used to it. What we dread more than anything is the old competition and crowding in the shops. A. F. E.

FRESH AIR THE CURE?

TO say that medical science has not advanced since the time of the Great Plague is nonsense.

The microbe influenza has been discovered, and its greatest enemy is fresh air, and the vital essence of fresh air is ozone—i.e., oxygen in an allotropic state.

The Government might assist in the production and distribution of this matter.

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BALTON SCAMMELL, M.S.C.I.

ENDOW RESEARCH!

THE letter from "Rheumatic" in your issue of Monday blames the doctors for their contradictory methods of fighting the "flu."

I blame the authorities.

It has cost us a few million pounds a day to run the war, therefore surely they might grant an adequate sum of money so that a carefully selected number of bacteriologists and doctors might make a thorough research of this serious disease.

One hears from all sides that investigation has been hampered by the lack of funds. Give the doctors all the facilities which they need and you will find that no time will be lost in "the scientific discovery" of a malady that is at present baffling the medicos.

H. A. DICKENS.

SHORTER LETTERS.

Home Education.—Your correspondents don't seem to know that night classes and night study are the rule amongst large sections of the population! Apart from that I can't see the average flapper settling down to the study of Plato and Aristotle after supper. The "pictures" will suffer if she does.—A. M. B.

A Middle-Class Union.—The middle classes utterly lack organisation. They have suffered so much from that lack that their "snobs" have nearly been killed. Give us a chance to join a protective union, and we will!—MIDDLE-CLASS HOUSEWIFE.

More Food.—If we want greater "productivity" in food, then we must attend to agriculture here. Also to fisheries. The fishermen, the farmer and the grazier are our chief supports. Yet what do we hear about them? It's all about miners that we hear!—AGRICULTURIST.

IN MY GARDEN.

MARCH 5.—Although plants that make the garden gay in spring are best planted in the autumn—since they have then plenty of time to become established—they may be put in during the next two weeks. Strong roots of wallflowers can be set out in firm ground. Dandelions are very easy to grow, and their yellow daisy-like flowers prove most valuable for cutting and garden decoration.

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E. F. T.

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The Evening News and Evening Mail

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1, 1919.

'FLU'S' LINGERING EFFECTS.

Persons Who had Disease Months Ago Still Suffering.

Influenza's aftermath is affecting the health of thousands of Londoners. Persons who had the disease months ago complain of not having got over it yet.

Doctors in different parts of the metropolis who were consulted by *The Evening News* stated that the principal after-effects appear to be:—

Weakened heart.
Loss of memory.
Lack of concentration.
Nerves more easily upset.
Greater susceptibility to colds.
Loss of vigour, and
An "influenza feeling" which they cannot shake off.

Are these ill-effects likely to be permanent? The doctors point out that it is

It is to the nervous system that we have to look for the worst permanent effects. 'Flu' brings a high disturbance of the nervous system, and there is a likelihood of permanent injury to the nerves.



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THE EPIDEMIC OF CRIME.

AFTER-WAR EFFECTS UPON CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES.

By JAMES CLIFFORD.

Mr. Clifford, in this absorbing article, gives us some reasons for the numbers of law-breakers who appear to be at large.

DURING the past few weeks we have seen in this country examples of violent crime which have been unknown in England for many decades.

The "holding up" of banks and shops is a thing which most of us have believed belonged to the "Wild West" or the cinema play. That at least one such exploit should have taken place in broad daylight in the heart of the West End we find incredible.

And, in addition to these more spectacular crimes we hear reports from all parts of the country of daring burglaries and robberies.

Now, these are conditions only to be expected at a period of social life such as that of to-day. There is no cause for alarm, nor any just reason to imagine that the war has evolved for us a large class of outlaws. The real explanation is to be found largely in two facts.

One is that our wonderfully efficient police system has necessarily been thrown out of gear owing to the war, and has not yet had time completely to reconstruct itself. The other is that a very large number of time-expired criminals, on being released from our prisons, went to fight and are now free.

Many of these men did well and redeemed their past sins, and, having taken the chance offered to them, will in all probability spend the remainder of their lives as law-abiding respectable citizens.

NEW METHODS.

The criminal, perhaps, more than any other type is a creature of habit. His companions and his haunts are of necessity limited, and the police know that, just as they do that the more dangerous criminal is always a specialist, committing nearly always the same type of crime and using the same methods.

Hence the often apparently miraculous manner in which our police are able to lay their hands upon the guilty man within a few hours of the crime.

Take, for example, some peculiarly daring case of burglary. As soon as the act is discovered, detectives are on the spot searching for "clues." Their chief clues are often the methods adopted in his work by the burglar. It may be some peculiar or cunning means of entrance, some particular way of opening a safe, the signs of some special tool that has been used—a score of things.

Now very often the detective can judge from his observations and references that the crime in question is probably the work of one of, say, ten men. He instantly proceeds to discover the whereabouts of each of the ten men at the time of the burglary.

UNDERSTAFFED POLICE.

The tentacles of police inquiry go far, and information is gleaned quickly. Within a few hours our detective has discovered perhaps that two of his ten men were already in prison for other crimes, of the remaining eight, four, he has definitely established, were nowhere near the scene of the crime. He is then left with four "possibles."

The next step is to find those "possibles." Their haunts and companions, as I have said, are very well known to the police, and special investigations are set on foot to find out in detail where they were when the crime was committed and particularly whether any one of them appears suddenly to be in funds.

Of course, I am outlining a simple case, but it is a fair example. We will imagine that one of the four "possibles" is discovered to be spending money in his favourite public-house a good deal more freely to-day than he was for a week or two before the burglary.

Our detective will concentrate on that man, compare his finger prints with any that may have been found on the burgled premises, follow him and his doings until sooner or later sufficient evidence is secured to arrest him. And then the trial and one more criminal is safely housed where he cannot harm the community for a year or so.

But had this burglary been the work of a new man the work of the police would have been infinitely harder, just as it would have been had they not most accurately indexed records of the careers and customs of known criminals.

And at the moment an understaffed police force is having to deal both with new men and imperfect records for these reasons. J. C.

HOW TO KEEP YOUR HOUSE IN ORDER!

WHY WE NOW HAVE NEW LAMPS FOR OLD ONES.

By PHILLIDA.

WHEN Eliza came to stay—and didn't—we could not blame her, since it was spring-time, and her thoughts had turned to land.

She was nearly everything a maid could not be, and so, while wishing her luck, we could not but feel sore, and rather sorry for ourselves as well. But we decided to buckle on our armour, put our house in order, and run it maidless for a time.

Eliza had left us a legacy in the way of a surprising assortment of labour-saving devices that had found no favour with her. Indeed, she had treated them all with impartial contempt. Why had not our willing little maid availed herself of the many helps we had devised for her sole comfort?

A closer intimacy with our charlady threw some light on the subject. She told us she reckoned she could polish three knives on the old board in the time the patent machine thought it could do one. She regarded carpet-sweepers, mops, long-handled polishers and the rest as work-shy articles for a woman still strong and active. All lesser aids to work she dubbed "penny-wise fooleries," that might "do well enough for foreigners."

We tested these "work-savers" and certainly found chaff among the wheat. An apple corer that crumpled up after reducing its victim by one-fourth. A coy potato-peeler, cucumber-slicer and grater combined, that covered itself with rust in lieu of glory and discovered everything attacked.

Many articles of this class—too cheap to be possible, and of suspected Hun origin—were banished; but there remained a goodly list of

invaluable aids to housework, such as a stroll through any up-to-date store can supply.

What long hours a housewife spends on hands and knees at scrubbing, hearthstoning, polishing, "till the brain is sick and the heart benumbed as well as the weary hand," when minutes could effect the same labour with a judiciously-selected implement.

Women are proverbially conservative—the charlady peculiarly so. She, being the avowed enemy of all things new and strange, makes it her business to influence the maids, and the long-suffering mistress hasn't the heart, if the means, to collect work-saving novelties that will be doomed to rusty idleness.

But even a charlady has her heel of Achilles, and should some enterprising firm bring out a particularly vicious washing-powder, warranted to remove more fabric than stain, she is "on it."

We have known an otherwise estimable charlady whose under-pockets bulged with "destroyers" with which all things that came her way, from dishcloths to delainette "undies," were doped.

Leaving her, however, to her own devices for the furtherance of misapplied energy, we proved to our own satisfaction that, if many hands make light work, modern inventions make it lighter and in many instances a real pleasure.

Such things as a floor-waxer and polisher combined, floor-washer with self-wringing mop, lightning wall-cleaner, semi-miraculous step-cleaner worked from the hall, etc., stout, British and reliable, are now our trusted allies.

We no longer mourn Eliza. Nor has the thought of the approaching spring-clean the power to chill us. Rather we regard its advent with almost joyful anticipation, for, with the aid of our new-found magic, we are exchanging all our old lamps for new. P.



COAST EROSION.—A terrace of six houses at Trimmingham, Norfolk, now in course of demolition. They were only built fifteen years ago.

OUR MODERN PERIODICAL READING.

THE TENDENCY TOWARDS DANGEROUS LITERATURE.

By EDITH NORMAN.

LIKE most women workers, I am pleased enough in my moments of relaxation to pick up periodicals and magazines, with their attractive covers, and to scan the pages that suggest great comfort and little exertion to a tired brain.

I like them better than books, whose covers are dull and suggest mind-concentration. I purchase and read numbers of papers and magazines with unfeigned regularity.

Also, like all readers, I love to keep them by me and return to them in idle moments.

In going through my collection of back numbers I see the usual love stories which held me enthralled, and I remember how I waited for each instalment to appear.

The stories were mostly about a hero, a heroine, and the inevitable villain, and finished up, as all stories should, with the ascendancy of "Right over Might."

But our magazine writers of to-day appear to have adopted new tactics entirely, and the result, to my way of thinking, is somewhat alarming.

I was asked by my niece, a young girl of seventeen, if I was reading Miss So and So's story, in the ——— weekly, and didn't I think it "just too perfectly priceless?"

I had been reading the story, and was

amazed at the daring of the author and the publisher.

The story, in scheme and construction, is extremely unconventional, and deals with certain domestic situations that, while being ingenious and well handled, are calculated to set the mind of the girl reader in a direction that is not—to say the least of it—desirable.

These stories are a recurrence of the "problem" story and play much discussed some years ago.

I am no believer in keeping girls in total ignorance of life as they were kept in the Victoria Era.

Let them know and understand the sober, serious realities.

Sound education produces healthy-minded girls.

This, however, is not the province of fiction, which primarily should amuse.

I feel that the mind of the modern English girl will be warped if this knowledge is to be presented to her sandwiched in between amusement and recreation.

In many homes the daughters of the house are treated as if they were still children, yet parents leave these stories available in the house and spend hours of bitterness when one day these same daughters are developing extraordinary ideas.

The stories to which I have referred may do harm to every type of English girl.

That is sufficiently serious.

For is not she the pride of hearth, home, field and fireside?

E. N.

THE PAYING GUEST IN THE HOME CIRCLE.

THE DELICATE TASK OF ARRANGING TERMS.

By ALFRED BARNARD.

This article throws some light on a curious domestic problem that has to be grappled with. THE P.G. is a person of astonishing respectability who ranks as far above "the lodger" of former days as the General above the "Tommy."

There are two known varieties: the male, who occupies high places in the world of business, and whose birth and manners rival each other in gentleness, and there is the female, whose virtues cannot be counted upon the fingers of the hands, and who drinks hot water in order to preserve, not her digestion, but her bank balance.

The housekeeper who trades, as one might say, in P.G.s has a fixed charge, to advertise which in the daily Press she considers quite consonant with her dignity.

She experiences no shock to her finer feelings when mentioning terms. She can point out all the advantages of the home life offered to the P.G. while his references are doing their best to jump out of his pockets.

There is the attractive store which never goes out—but does not happen, by one of those amazing tricks of fate, to be alight just now.

There is the bathroom with the geyser that will be repaired after Peace is declared and the plumbers are at rest from war labours. The house, if you please, is so clean that it is figuratively speaking a "wash-out." There will be early tea at 7.30—breakfast at 9.

At breakfast you will meet Miss So-and-So—perfectly charming lady—related to the Viscount No More Money. So nice, don't you know, to mix with really nice people; and the price will be two guineas per week, baths extra (after the return of the plumber)—and there you are!

That is the lady and the P.G. in the ordinary way of life.

But what of that other P.G.—the fellow who drops you a charming little note saying that it's quite true he has known you only a little while, and, of course, he's aware that you don't let rooms to people; he knows it's beastly cheek on his part—at the same time, the fact is, don't you know, he finds it awfully difficult to get accommodation anywhere, and could you sort of fix him up? Perhaps you'll be good enough to let him know if you could manage it—and how much will it be.

"He's a very nice fellow!" my wife said when I showed her the letter; "and there is a room doing nothing!"

"Oh, he's all right—no doubt," I agreed; "but you don't want to turn the place into an hotel, do you?"

"Don't be silly! Just write and tell him to come. He's got to live somewhere!"

That's precisely like a wife. The P.G.'s got to live somewhere. But I can pack myself up in an old tin box and smile.

"Then what about the charge? I don't know what to charge the chap?"

"You'd better talk that over with him, dear!"

"Not me! I'm not a caterer—never sold so much as a penny roll in my life! You must see him or ring him up, or ring his—oh, do what you think best!"

So one day, a day that otherwise would have been peaceful, there arrives at my house the P.G., with a dozen trunks or so.

Things go along swimmingly.

The P.G. likes us, and we like the P.G. He improves on acquaintance, and before a week is up we're almost devouring each other from sheer affection.

Then one day he says, blushing shyly: "By the way, we didn't fix up the financial side of this paying guest business!"

"Oh," I say airily, "you'd better speak to the wife about that! I haven't the least idea what to charge you."

"All right," he says, "I will—but I shall be frightened out of my life."

Later, when alone with the wife, I say:—"The P.G. wants to know what he ought to pay! And I've told him to see you!"

"What on earth did you do that for? I don't know what to charge!"

"Neither do I—and he doesn't know what to pay!"

"You see eggs are sixpence each!"

"Yes—but the poor man's only had one, and that was bad! Anyway—you fix it all up. I must go, or I shall be late for the office. Good-bye—he's scared to death of you, so charge him a lot—he'll be afraid to say no!"

With which facetious advice I leave her.

That was months ago—and we still have the P.G. I've never inquired what was fixed up. Ignorance is bliss. And it's better to leave well alone. A. B.

GUARDS' HOMECOMING



One by one the battalions of the various Guards regiments are coming home, and the 3rd Grenadiers reached London yesterday. They were accompanied by many relatives and friends on their march from St. Pancras to the Tower.—(Daily Mirror photograph.)

BOUGHT ROYAL GIFTS



Lady Arnott, who was auctioneer at a charity sale at Dublin, handing the silver snuff-box and autographed portrait of Admiral Sir David Beatty (the gifts of Princess Mary) to the purchaser, Sir Stanley Cochrane. Sir Dunbar Barton is the centre figure.

FOOTBALL IN A BROOD



The ball being thrown clear of the river, t



On arrival in the street there is a



THIRTEEN MILES INTO GERMANY.—B Battery (Fulham) R.F.A. thirteen miles east of the Rhine, the farthest point to which any body of British troops has penetrated into enemy territory.



FILM INFLUENCE.—Mr. Holford Knight, the barrister, to lecture on crime and the cinema at the Stoll Picture Theatre Club.



A "CONCERTED" EFFORT.—Miss Lena Ashwell and her helpers counting a day's takings from the canvas which is being made by demobilised soldiers on behalf of her concerts at the front.



ADMIRAL BEATTY IN FRANCE.—Sir David, who has been paying a visit to the front, leaving G.H.Q. at Monstruil. He saw several of the big battlefields.—(Official photograph.)



HESITATED TO PLUNGE.—An oil tank torpedoed off the north-east of Scotland remained in this position for two days before finally sinking.



Brigadier-General Jellicoe. Brigadier-General Jellicoe, who has been paying a visit to the front, leaving G.H.Q. at Monstruil. He saw several of the big battlefields.—(Official photograph.)

OK: A VICTORY GAME.



the players leave the water and rush after it.



rum," in which the women take a hand.



with Victory ball.
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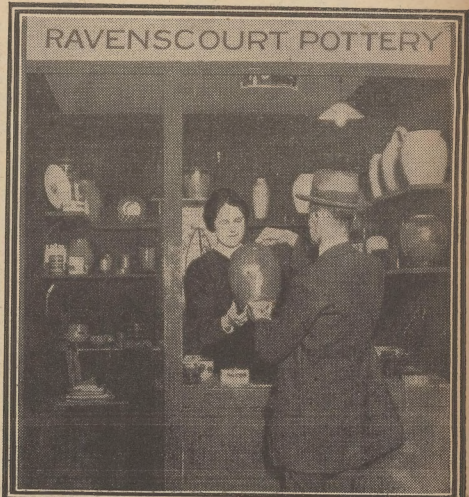


LATEST WEAR.—On the left a coat and skirt in dark blue vicena trimmed with tailored braid binding, and on the right a smart coat. Both are from Paris.

WOMEN HELPING TO FIGHT GERMAN TRADE.



Mrs. Pamflett showing the first doll she made.

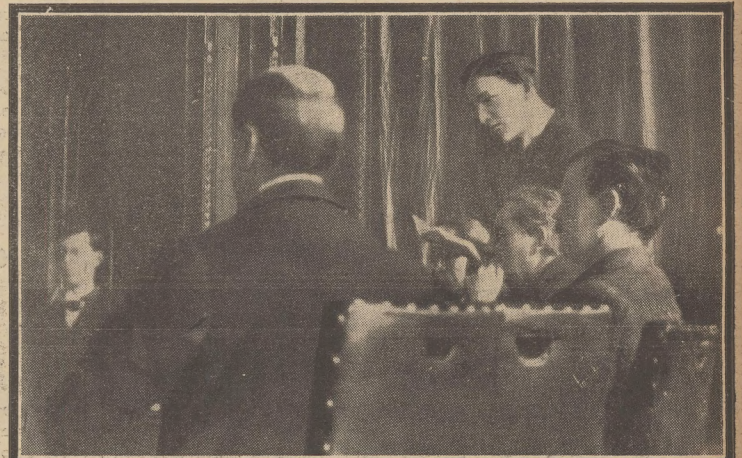


Miss Lunt showing a specimen of her pottery.

The skill shown by the women of Great Britain in the arts and crafts can be seen at the Board of Trade's British Industries Fair, now being held at the London Docks.—(Daily Mirror photographs.)



CORPORAL'S RISE.—Staff-Captain H. H. Miller, who fought at Mons as a corporal, is doing demobilisation work.



MORE ASTONISHING COAL FIGURES.—Mr. Frank Hodges, secretary of the Miners' Federation, speaking at the Commission, which held its second sitting yesterday. Further evidence was given as to profits, the excess in 1916, a witness stated, being £10,000,000.



HOSPITAL FOOTBALL.—Nurse Symons gave the ball a really "lefty" kick when the referee's whistle blew at Exmouth for the opening of the match between teams composed of wounded officers and wounded "Tommies."



MAJOR'S DIVORCE BILL.—The House of Lords has given a second reading to the Bill to dissolve the marriage of Major G. F. Cavendish Clarke (the petitioner, inset) with Florence Clarke (also seen).

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Hon. Mrs. Robert Reppel, formerly Miss Violet de Trafford.

PREMIER'S RETURN.

Many Interesting Art Shows—Influenza in the Theatres.

Mr. LLOYD GEORGE will make a long stay in Paris this time. He will not, according to present plans, be back here till the end of the month. By this time it is hoped that the preliminary Peace Treaty will be ready for signature. Then the blockade of Germany will be practically, if not wholly, raised.

How to Use the Hun Fleet.

Major David Davies, M.P., is very keen on a rather ingenious idea for disposing of the question what we should do with the German Navy. He holds that the obvious thing for it is to undertake police duties on behalf of the League of Nations, and there is a good deal of support in the House for this idea.

No New Order Yet.

There is not the slightest chance of the "Order of St. David" coming into being just yet, and, indeed, the King has not even given it his serious consideration. This proposal is no new one, as some people seem to think, but was first brought forward when the Prince of Wales was invested with his style and title at Carnarvon Castle.

More F.M.s.

The Army is soon to have two more field-m Marshals, I hear. Sir Herbert Plumer and Sir Edmund Allenby are mentioned, and whom could one think of as more deserving? Most people think that there is a limit to the number of field-m Marshals that can be made; but this is not so.

Land for Sale.

Several more peers are getting rid of their estates. Lord Berners is selling some of his acres round about Shrewsbury. They are only surplus acres, however, for when he disposes of these Lord Berners has twelve thousand left.

Invalid Peer.

Lord Plymouth's illness, though the crisis is over, continues to cause his family anxiety, I hear. Another operation has been performed at Howell Grange, where the patient stood well, and according to latest reports he is making good progress.

"Festina Lento" at the Admiralty.

Evidently the Admiralty does not intend to be accused of undue haste in the demobilisation of its "beauties." A circular has just now been sent round the sub-departments asking for the names of the women clerks it is de-



Miss Caroline Harvey, debutante daughter of Sir Robert Harvey, who has been a V.A.D.



Miss Katherine Horne, only daughter of Gen. Sir H. S. Horne, is a land worker.

sired to remain permanently, and thoughtfully adding that "the remainder should be demobilised on or before October 1 next."

"Tamps" Troubles.

Civil Service temps who are about to be demobbed are disgusted because they will have to go to the labour exchanges in order to draw their unemployment donation. I am told that some of them would like it forwarded to their addresses by cheque or money order. They hate the thought of "queuing up" with demobbed munition workers.

TO-DAY'S GOSSIP

News and Views About Men, Women, and Affairs in General

The Orient in Dress.

A wave of Orientalism was obvious even to men's eyes at the Lucile dress show of what women will wear this year. Gold tissue trousers seemed quite ordinary parts of evening gowns, with kummerbunds and gorgeous costees. The mannequins were bowed on to the stage by tiny black pageboys in Oriental gorgeousness.

Watching the Gowns.

I have never viewed a more gorgeous scene on any stage, and so thought the many toilettes present. Miss Lily Elsie, Miss Ethel Levey, Miss Winnie Barnes and Miss Pauline Chase were all enraptured. I saw, too, Countess Poulett, Lady Chelmsford and Lady Greville.

War Bonuses for High Officials.

I am told that Civil Servants with salaries exceeding £500 a year, but not exceeding £1,500, are to be given a war bonus of ten per cent. Women are to be given two-thirds of a male official's bonus. Very few people would grumble at these bonuses.

Police Disunion.

Sir Neville Macready, whose firm stand against the demands of the Police Union is exciting varied comment, has this claim in



Lady Herbert Harvey, daughter of the Earl of Dundauid.



Miss Jennie Harlow, plays lead in "The Bing Boys" on tour.

his favour, that the officials of the union themselves are by no means decided as to what they want. Mr. James Marston's speech the other evening was by no means accepted universally by the members of the union.

Road Repairs.

The Ministry of Reconstruction estimated that it would cost sixty million pounds to bring back British roads to pre-war conditions. The parliamentary committee of various motor organisations now puts the figure at a hundred and seventy millions, which sounds surprisingly tall.

The King's Giant.

Those who go to Buckingham Palace may see the King's tallest footman. His height is 6ft. 6in. When he was only fourteen he was already 5ft. 4in., and the Guards' training sent him up to 6ft. by the time he was eighteen.

Half an Inch.

Apparently there is one taller—by half an inch—but he has been a prisoner of war and has not yet put on his scarlet coat and returned to duty.

Chelsea Will Yell—See?

Stripes, cubes and squares will be the "note" of the Chelsea Arts Club Ball, on Wednesday, both in the costumes and in the decoration of the Albert Hall. The main scheme carries out the "dazzle" idea which saved so many of our ships at sea from the evil designs of the Hun submarines and other war craft.

Dripping for News.

A returned prisoner from Germany tells me that he bribed a guard to get him an English newspaper. This cost him 25 marks and two tins of dripping. By hiring the journal out to other prisoners he recovered his first outlay.

Regimental Ties.

I notice a considerable number of obviously "demobbed" men are now wearing ties with the regimental colours of "the old corps." It is a good idea. In pre-war days "Terriers" frequently adopted this fashion.

A 'Flu Victim.

It is hard lines for Lady Nelson that the leading amateur rider, Mr. J. R. Anthony, is laid up with 'flu. He had promised to ride Ally Sloper for her in the Grand National, which he won on the same horse four years ago.

A Big Picture.

An artist friend says the sensation of the forthcoming Royal Academy show will be Mr. Sargent's great oblong canvas, which is being born out of the vivid impressions the painter received during his six months' experience in the battle zone. It is not finished yet.

Rocky Buildings.

I happened to be with an architect when I looked in at Walker's Galleries in Bond-street to spend a few pleasant minutes with Lady Victoria Manners' "Gardens in Many Lands." Her flowers and trees and shrubs make one long for their counterpart in reality—but her buildings and balustrades provoked fierce expostulations from my architect friend.

Horses' Sargent.

There is another delightful show at Connel's, in Bond-street, where Mr. Munnings fills two rooms with his healthy, breezy paintings of country life. They justify the claim made for him that he is the Sargent of the stable and the hunting field and the gipsy encampment.

A "Backslider."

Mr. Nevinson, I am told, has had his name put up for election to the Royal Academy. This can only mean that he has definitely given up cubism and futurism. There is much bitter talk about his apostasy among the votaries of modernism in art.

An Irish Lady's Hobby.

Lady Ardilaun is amongst the contributors to the Water Colour Society's Exhibition in Dublin this year, I am told. Her pictures of scenes near Cong, her Mayo home, are attracting some attention.

"A Long, Long Way."

Another contributor to the exhibition is Lady Ross of Bladensburg, wife of Sir John Ross, formerly Chief Commissioner of the Dublin Police. She has already made her name in Irish art circles as an amateur of distinction, and her studies of pastoral scenes in far-famed Tipperary add merit to this year's collection.

Theatrical Invalids.

The 'flu has been laying our leading ladies low, if one may alliteratively say so. However, Miss Iris Hoye is back at the Duke of York's after a bad bout. Likewise does Miss Dorothy Brunton return to the Apollo, having recovered. So that's all right.



Miss Iris Hoye.

Redecorated.

When the Queen's Theatre is reopened on Saturday it will be found to have been done up. The decorations now are in wine colour and marble, which sounds very cool and refreshing.

Pittites Pitied.

The recent discussion as to the abolition of the pit has had no rather comic effect. Managers of theatres which have pits are eagerly sending round paragraphs to say so.

Chorus-Singing.

At the Vaudeville the other evening I saw the lady known to playgoers as Miss Zena Dare in the stalls with her husband, the Hon. Maurice Brett. Mr. Walter Williams induced her to sing the chorus of "K-K-K-K-Katy" alone, and when the applause had died down he remarked, "It's really quite time you came back to the stage, Mrs. Dare."

Now Bried.

I looked into the Kingsway again the other night. "Oh, Joy!" now plays a little more closely and briskly than it did on the night of production; and Miss Margot Kelly is highly approved of in the part first played by Miss Dot Temple.

Play Retitled.

At almost the last moment the title of the new piece at the new Winter Garden Theatre has been changed. It will now be "Our Little Wife," and by-the-by, it is not an American play at all, as some people have hastily assumed. Composer Ivan Caryll will conduct at the first performance.

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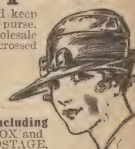
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LOOKING FORWARD.

SIMPSON, junior, met Ursula Lorrimer for their second appointment at the teashop where Jake Rattray had seen and recognised her. "I simply dare not ask you to come to my home," she told him breathlessly. "It isn't really my home; I have lived with my aunt and uncle since my father died, and—well, they don't know anything about what I have done—about the advertisement, I mean, and I don't want them to know till it is all settled."

Her grey eyes sought his face anxiously. "I suppose it will all be settled?" she asked. "Sometimes it seems too good to be true; I simply can't believe it."

"I think there is no doubt that it will be settled," Mr. Simpson answered. "I have seen my client again, and, beyond one slight condition, he is quite ready to arrange everything."

Ursula laughed. "Only one condition! I should not have been surprised if he had tried to make half a dozen. Tell me what it is?"

Mr. Simpson hesitated. "It is rather a curious one," he said at last. "But, then—"

And he smiled. "My client is rather a curious man, if I may be allowed to say so."

"He must be a perfect dear," said Ursula warmly. "And even though I don't know him and have never seen him, I'm not going to allow you to say one word against him, Mr. Simpson."

Simpson, junior, protested that he had never intended such a thing. He was thinking what a very charming protégée young Rattray had chosen and how delightful her soft young voice had sounded when she had called him "a perfect dear!"

In spite of Jake's denials, he was convinced that romance was at the bottom of this very extraordinary affair, and he watched Ursula closely as he told her of the condition that Jake wished to impose.

"It is simply this—that you must not marry, or consent to marry, anyone without his—my client's—consent."

Ursula stared at him blankly for a moment; then she laughed.

"Is that all? Good gracious! I thought it was going to be something much worse and more difficult. Of course, I promise! Does he want it in writing, with a penny stamp on it?"

She was very young in her excitement. Her eyes were like stars.

"It's not at all likely that I shall ever want to get married," she went on positively. "I never did care for men at all—except father, and if I succeed with my voice—well, I shan't ever want anything more in all the world."

"That is what you think now," Mr. Simpson warned her. "But you are very young, you know, and all your life lies before you."

"I know. But that won't make any difference. Tell him, please, that it is quite all right about the condition, and that if ever I should want to get married—which I shall not—of course, I will ask him. Is that all?"

"That is the only condition I was asked to make."

"Then it's all settled? He doesn't want to choose what master I am to go to, or anything like that?"

"No, nothing of that sort."

"I am so glad, because I want to choose my own. Oh, isn't it wonderful to think that the dream of my life is coming true?"

"My client will be very glad to know that he has made you so happy."

"Will he?" She looked rather doubtful. "I wonder why he won't see me himself?" she asked after a moment. "You would think he would at least be a little interested to see what sort of a person I am, wouldn't you?"

Mr. Simpson smiled. "He may have seen you. I do not know."

"Did you give him the tickets for that concert?"

"Yes, I certainly did."

"And was he there?"

Mr. Simpson shook his head. "I really cannot say; I have not seen him since."

"I hope he was not," said Ursula vehemently. "It was a very poor sort of concert; I don't think many of the people could really have cared much about music." She looked away from him with rapid eyes.

Suddenly, "Why did he make that condition about my marrying, I wonder?" she asked abruptly.

Mr. Simpson was startled. "I really cannot say, unless he has some idea that if you married it might perhaps spoil your career."

She smiled scornfully. "I should never allow anyone or anything to do that."

Simpson junior did not answer. She was very sure of herself, he thought. Such confidence in a girl so young and pretty was unusual.

"I should like to write and thank him," Ursula said again suddenly. "There can be no harm in that, can there? And I should like him to know that I really am grateful. Will you give him a letter if I write?"

"I certainly will; but it is not really necessary. He is merely doing this from motives of

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pure philanthropy, so he assures me, and he desires no thanks."

"I shall write, all the same," Ursula insisted. "And I will send it to you, and now—is that all you want to say to me?"

"Everything, I think." A faint smile crossed Mr. Simpson's grave face. "Am I to be allowed to pay for the tea to-day?"

Ursula laughed. "Please," she said. They left the shop together and parted outside.

"And tell him when you see him—this wonderful client of yours," she said, as she turned away. "that he has made me happier than I ever thought I could be. You won't forget, will you?"

"I shall not forget."

"Happy, happy, happy!" Ursula said to herself as she sped homewards.

The future had suddenly opened to her, bright and filled with promise. The clouds that had gathered around her life since her father's death had been dispersed as if by a magic wand. Her excited imagination leapt ahead into the days when fulfilment would have crowned her dreams.

"You look very pleased with yourself, Ursula," were the words with which her aunt greeted her when she reached her home. "Has somebody left you a fortune?"

BREAKING THE NEWS.

MRS. MARCH was a thin, sour-faced woman with unsmiling lips and a sharp tongue. If the faded portraits that adorned her drawing-room mantelpiece were to be believed, she had once been plump and pretty, but twenty years of life as Henry March's wife had effectually changed her curves into angles and wiped every trace of youth and beauty from her face. She was fond of Ursula because she had adored her only brother, Ursula's father.

He had been the black sheep of a narrow-minded chapel-going family, but everyone had adored him nevertheless, and his sister, Milli-cent March, had given him all the love she had ever had to bestow. She had married Henry March for no better reason than that he had asked her, and she had spent her whole life since regretting it.

That he was rich she knew, and that he was that most despicable of all things, a mean man, she knew also to her cost. She had no smallest hope, therefore, when Ursula came to them, eager for the future, and proud of the promise in her voice, that help could be expected from him.

"Your uncle never liked your father," she told the girl from the first. "He hated all my people. It is no use looking for help from him."

Ursula did not believe her.

"Uncle Henry believes in speculation, doesn't he?" she had asked. "Well, my voice is a speculation. Some day I shall be able to pay him back and a great deal more besides for anything he has done for me now."

"Your Uncle Henry will do nothing," his wife had repeated, and she had been right. Henry March did not believe in music any more than he believed in love, or a man's duty to his wife.

It was all "stuff and nonsense," he declared. Nobody ever made a farthing out of singing rubbishing love songs. Ursula must be made to see sense. He could get her into a bank, where she could make good thirty shillings a week.

"Lorrimer made a fool of her," he told his wife flatly. "Lorrimer made a fool of everyone himself included."

But he was slow to die in Ursula's heart. She had fondly imagined that Henry March could be managed, or coaxed. She had done her best to try and win some sort of interest from him, and had failed.

"I told you what it would be," her aunt said stoically. "You'll have to give up the idea. If I had got any money you should have it and welcome, for your father's sake, but I have none."

Poor woman! Unknown to Ursula, she had taken her few little bits of jewellery to a shop and offered them for sale in the vain hope that they might raise something substantial towards the sum her niece required, but she had come back—with the poor little trinkets hidden in her muff, and the smile in the eyes of the jeweller stamped on to her memory for all time.

Worthless, he had called them—the only possession her husband had ever given her.

"Far better give it up and go into a bank," she had counselled Ursula that night. "When you are as old as I am, you'll know how useless it is to waste your time crying for the moon."

And Ursula had appeared to agree.

So she was amazed at the change in the girl's face when she came in from her second interview with Mr. Simpson.

"You had a fortune left you?" she asked again dryly, as Ursula did not answer her first question.

Ursula went up to her and kissed her vehemently.

"Can you keep a secret, Aunt Milly?" she asked in an excited whisper.

Mrs. March smiled wryly. "Can I keep a secret?" she echoed. "Well, I think I might be able to."

She then thought it worth while to explain that all her life she had been struggling to keep the secret of petty discomforts and household worries from the man she had married, because she feared his anger. Ursula could have nothing to tell her that would worry her more than the

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constant wear and tear of domestic monotony had done.

Ursula clung to her secret for a moment longer; then suddenly she let it go.

"Aunt Milly! Someone has given me a thousand pounds to have my voice trained."

Mrs. March started. For a moment she thought Ursula had taken leave of her senses. The girl laughed at her perplexity.

"It's quite true. I know it sounds like a dream, but it's quite true; and now I shan't have to take that horrid berth Uncle found for me. I can spend all my life singing—singing."

Mrs. March moistened her pale lips. "Whom did you say had given you a thousand pounds?" she asked with deadly composure.

Ursula checked her excitement sufficiently to explain. She told the whole story of the advertisement—how she had inserted it as a last despairing hope; of the answer that had come, and the appointment that had been made, and not kept; of the second letter, and its magnificent reply.

"It's a fairy story—only a real one," she said. "And I'm so happy that I don't know what to do."

"The man," said Mrs. March faintly, "whoever he is, must be mad."

"He's a dear—whatever he is," Ursula answered warmly. "I only wish I could see him and thank him, but he won't let me. Never mind; perhaps some day he'll change his mind, and then—well, then I shall tell him that he's been the best friend I've ever had."

"Is he young?" Mrs. March inquired disapprovingly.

Ursula laughed. "I don't know. I don't know anything about him."

URSULA IS GRATEFUL.

THERE was a little silence. "What do you imagine your uncle will say?" Mrs. March asked again.

"I don't see what business it is of his," Ursula said defiantly.

"He makes most things his business," Mrs. March answered hopelessly.

She looked at the girl's flushed, eager face. "A thousand pounds will not do all that you imagine it will," she said.

"I still have my mother's money," the girl answered. "It's not very much, I know, but it will keep me if I am very careful."

"At the price things are now!" the elder woman said prosaically.

Her outlook on life had lost what little romance and interest it had ever possessed. She went on living with Henry March because it never occurred to her that she could leave him.

He had, withered her mind with his incessant bullying and indifference, and made of her a mere machine that mended his clothes, and kept his house clean, and struggled to knock out shillings off the weekly cost of living so that he might have the more to spend on his own selfishness.

Ursula looked at her aunt's hard, faded face and shivered as she went up to her room.

"Poor auntie! I hope I never get married. I think men are awful."

But she took out paper and ink and sat down then and there to write to the man who had opened the gates of the future to her. He was, of course, the great exception to the whole of what she told herself. There had never been anyone as wonderful and generous as he.

"Though I do not know who you are, I feel that I must write to you," she wrote with eager impulse. "Because I want you to know how happy you have made me, and how much I thank you. I wonder if you are fond of music? And if you will ever come to hear me sing? I wonder if you are young or old, and if I have ever seen you?"

"I mean to work so hard and try and pay you back for all you are going to do for me. Some day I mean to make you so proud that it was you who gave me the means to do the great things that I feel sure I shall be able to do. I hope you will not think this is a very silly letter, but it is so difficult to write to anyone I have never seen or even know his name, or—"

"Ursula!" Mrs. March called from the stairs. "Ursula!"

"Coming!" Ursula dropped her pen and ran to the door.

Mrs. March stood half way up the stairs, her thin face worried and flushed. "Your uncle has just telephoned that he is coming in to dinner after all and bringing someone with him. So everything, when there is only the cold mutton and soup, and now we shall have to get extra cooking done!"

"Do you want me to come and help?"

"If you would just make me some pastry."

She turned back to her room. She could not leave that unfinished letter lying about.

"Whom is he bringing?" she asked presently as she ran downstairs.

Mrs. March shook her head. "Somebody who is always bringing me such acquaintances home—men he thinks he can make money out of. Money is all he cares about."

"Somebody old and uninteresting, I suppose," Ursula said absently, her thoughts still busy with her own concerns.

"I didn't ask," Mrs. March answered. "And he only told me the name—a Captain Rattray, I think he said."

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NEW HONOUR FOR MAJ.-GENERAL V.C.

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THE STOCK EXCHANGE.

Dull Markets but Good Industrial
Features.

FROM OUR CITY EDITOR.

The City, Wednesday. Markets to-day were like the weather, dismal all round. Consols and the War Loans continued under Budget influences, French Loans again weak. Home Rails sagged throughout.

In Industrials Wray Sanderson 63s., Aerated Bread 3s., Nelson Brothers 12 bid., Van den Berghs 68s. 3d. (on bonus expectations), Spiers and Ponds 22s., Magadi Soda 25s., New Egyptians 27s. 9d., and Davis Gas Stove £8 (a jump of 2) were all good markets.

The dull spots in Industrials were Vickers 42s., Seager Evans 6, Pease and Partners 17, Courtaulds 7 11-16, Lyons 5 1/2, British Oil Cakes 34s., Dunlops 5 3-16.

Mines were almost featureless, Falcons and Goldfield Devels continued dull in Rhodesia. Russians were again flat, Northern Explorations 2 1/2 further declined. Anfigahs rose sharply in 2 1/2 to 3s. 4 1/2. Colombian Minings dull, 54s. 9d. Rubbers opened weak and, although improving at finish, showed losses on balance. Linggits 28s. 6d., Trusts 31s. 3d., Anglo-Dutch 39s. 3d., Java Investment 37s. 9d. (after 37s.). United Serdangs good market, 12s. 7 1/2 bid.

Oil closed midway between their extremes. Shells 7 11-16, Eagles 5 13-16, both harder; Egyptians 3 13-16, Burmahs 8 1/2, both dull.

NEWS ITEMS.

Thames has risen six inches.

Lady ones, Mayoress of Rochdale in 1906, has died at seventy-four.

The Red Cross Headquarters Central Work-rooms in Piccadilly are now closed.

Heavy snow was reported yesterday in the Cleveland district and North Wales.

Warble Fly Pest.—The annual ravages to cattle, meat and hides of the warble fly is £300,000.

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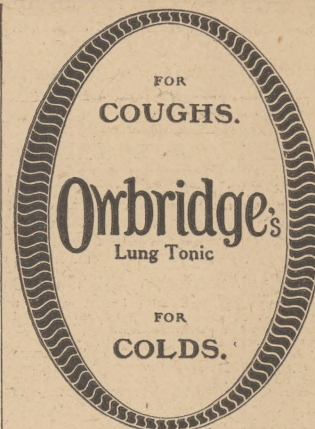
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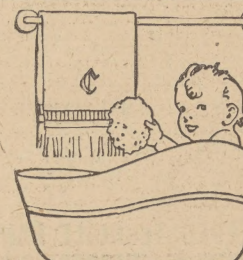
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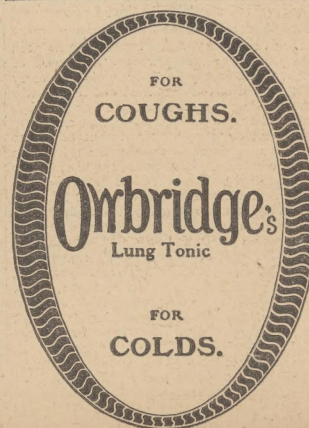
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Will Chelsea Retain Their Place in the First Division?

WEST HAM'S APPLICATION.

What will happen at next Monday's meeting of the Football League? Will the League be extended? Will Chelsea retain their place in the First Division? Will the 'Spurs' also remain up, or will the Arsenal, Barnsley, or Nottingham Forest be elected instead?

These are but a few of the queries. One could go on with a few more like "Will West Ham be elected to the League? Will the wages be adjusted, and will that transfer system be amended? It will be seen that next week's meeting is one of the most important ever held by the League.

There is a general consensus of opinion that Chelsea, who were the innocent victims of the notorious "squared" match, should not suffer for the evil-doing of the Manchester United and Liverpool players. They will probably retain their position in the First League, provided it is extended to twenty-two clubs. But who will accompany them in the Senior Division?

SPURS OR ARSENAL?

Will it be the 'Spurs, who finished last on the list the last time there was a competition? Will it be the Arsenal, who had been at or near the top of the Second League for several seasons without actual promotion, and who were in a position to earn promotion, or will any Second League club be eligible for promotion? Nottingham Forest and Barnsley are, we know, applying for elevation.

A little bird whispers to me that the League is sure to be extended, that Chelsea will remain in the First League, and that one of the two London clubs will be lucky enough to secure election to the other place. "One official official told me in this wise: "A good boy, a visit to London once or twice a year, and with Chelsea and the 'Spurs or the Arsenal in the League they come up twice."

"They got a show at the theatres and see something of the great city. The directors also enjoy a visit to the big smoke. In addition the visits of the London clubs at most of the big provincial cities are great attractions." So, there you are.

But it has been said that the growing vote of London in League matters has been rather jealously viewed by certain of the Lancashire big pots. Lancashire has always had a large predominance in League matters, and London is gradually extending its numbers. When only the Arsenal were in membership London was a negligible quantity. Now, with Chelsea, Fulham, Tottenham and Clapton Orient added they are becoming more powerful.

THE HAMMERS' POSITION.

And West Ham may be followed by Millwall, Millwall by the Rangers, the Rangers by Bedford, until London has a big vote. So I am not so confident about West Ham's chance as I am of Chelsea's prospects of remaining in the First League.

But West Ham would hardly have cut the painter before they felt tolerably certain of election. We all can remember the penalty paid by Queen's Park Rangers when they applied unsuccessfully for election, and going on bended knees to the Southern League, were readmitted to that body, but compelled to play all their games in mid-week. In a boom year like we are expecting anything of that kind would be a catastrophe for West Ham.

And it must be borne in mind that West Ham has always been one of the best-managed clubs in England. They have done well in the Southern League, and their own war-time games have been played by many. First League clubs as a pre-war standard. Since the armistice they have had wonderful games, the last two exceeding £500. In fact, their last London Combination game was £554, only £1 less than their record Southern League game.

From this it will be seen that the League are not asked to elect a club of mushroom growth and no financial standing, but a well-organised, capably-managed concern, which will be a credit alike to the League and to London. I hope the club succeed in their great enterprise, for since the Southern League forfeited its independence by more or less becoming a vassal of the Football League it has lost prestige and power.

That was why I was sorry the recently-proposed fusion was turned down by the League. Of the other matters to be settled on Monday I have already expressed myself strongly on the question of players' wages and transfers. I believe in freedom of contract and a minimum if you like, but no maximum. And there should be equity in the transfers and contracts.

It is monstrous that a club should be allowed to debauch players from other clubs at the end of his contract, and at the same time the player have no corresponding right. I know that hardship seldom happens because directors are sportsmen, but at the same time the power is there, and there have been cases in the past.

P. J. MOSS.

YESTERDAY'S RUGBY MATCHES.

At Oxford yesterday the R.A.F. defeated the University by a try, scored by Wakefield, to nil. The Air Force had the decided advantage behind the scrum, but for the most part the forwards had the game to themselves.

The match between Cross Keys and the Canadian Services XV., down to be played at Newport yesterday, was abandoned owing to the ground being unfit.

WITH THE ARMY OF OCCUPATION.—Guards officers, all old Estonians, playing in a match in Germany.—(Official photograph.)

ARMY CRICKET.

Encouragement for All Ranks.—Command Leagues To Be Formed.

MATCH WITH NAVY.

The Army authorities are to encourage cricket among all ranks. It is a good sign that the first committee meeting has been held with such prominent cricketers as Brigadier-General A. J. Turner, who played for Essex as far back as 1897, Major P. R. R. Broke, who played splendidly behind the stumps for Lancashire, and Major B. C. Hartley, the secretary of the Army Sports Control Board, present.

Full details are not yet settled, but with an idea of discovering talent command leagues are to be formed.

Practically all through the war home garrisons had their football leagues, and very successful they were, too. Evidently cricket is to be done on a more elaborate scale with command leagues.

Quite possibly the various commands will be divided into sections, the winners of each section playing for the championship at the end of the season.

Something of this kind would be necessary to avoid a great deal of travelling. It is certain that teams will enter from all parts of a command, for cricket has almost as big a hold in the Army as football.

A match with the Navy has been fixed to take place on July 24 and the two succeeding days, and it is certain that others of equal importance will be made.

If a side to represent the Army is to be selected from the various commands to take part in big matches one can imagine the greatest enthusiasm prevailing in the League games.

Then, again, it is quite on the cards that the champions of each command would meet each other. The whole situation is full of possibilities, and with such a representative committee the fullest encouragement will be given for these to materialise.

What better inducement to lovers of cricket than a match between the London and Eastern Commands at the Oval or Lord's? J. W. H.

DAVIS CUP DRAW.

The draw for the Davis Lawn Tennis Cup is as follows:—Belgium v. Great Britain; France a bye. Australia are the present holders of the cup. The Lawn Tennis Association has already sanctioned over sixty meetings, commencing with the covered courts tournament at Queen's Club on April 7.

HURST PARK ACCEPTANCES.

Excellent acceptances have been received both for the first and second class of the Trial Double Handicap Chase at the Hurst Park meeting, which is to be held on Thursday and Friday next week. In the first class of the race to be run on Thursday the only forfeit was that of Bert Aldridge, Jolles, Waverley, Shaun Spadish, Pay Only, Ballymacad, Vermouth and Sergeant Murphy oppose Ally Sloper, an interesting contest will ensue.

AMATEUR CHAMPION'S RETURN.

Many readers will recollect "Eugene" Brown, who won the amateur middle-weight boxing championship of England in 1914. Brown joined up with the Royal Horse Guards very shortly after the war broke out, and soon became a member of the 1st Buffs. He was sent to France and has just been demobilised. His home is Hedges Farm, St. Albans, and he is proud of the fact that his mother owns a herd of British Friesian cattle reputed to be the best in the country.

FAST FIGHT AT JERSEY CITY.

J. J. Coffey, the Irish heavy-weight boxer, has just beaten Harry Williams, of Bridgeport, after eight of the fastest rounds ever witnessed at Jersey City.

THE WORLD OF SPORT.

Scottish Victory Cup.—Albion Rovers beat Kilmarnock 1-0, at Kilmarnock yesterday.

The Irish tennis championships will be held in Dublin during the week commencing July 14.

The Bury Memorial.—The fund raised to perpetuate the memory of late Sergeant Dick Bury now amounts to £2,000.

Recruit for Palace Team.—The Old Crystal Palace left their last season's team disbanded from the Army and hopes to play regularly in future.

Ex-Feather-weight Champion.—Kid Lewis, the ex-feather-weight champion of Great Britain, is slated to be coming to London in six weeks' time.

A Marathon Race.—The Amateur Marathon race from Weymouth to Exeter, which was held on March 2, is hoped to be a Diabla, the holder, will compete.

Scottish Athletics.—The Scottish Amateur Athletic Association has decided to hold their annual championships for the forthcoming season. A list of championship dates has already been fixed up, commencing with the ten miles at Glasgow on April 5.

RACING FAVOURITES.

Hainault's Most Formidable Lincoln Handicap Rivals.

ALLY SLOPER'S CHANCE.

Only a brief three weeks divides us now from the day on which the Lincolnshire Handicap, the first big race of the flat season, will be decided. After the restrictions under which racing laboured for so long the event is being looked forward to with even more than customary eagerness.

There are reasons for that feeling, quite apart from the fact that this will be the first real Lincolnshire Handicap since View Law won in the spring of 1915. The entry fell below the average in consequence of ravages made by wartime restrictions, but that proved a blessing in disguise, for in place of quantity we got quality, and it is doubtful if class was ever so well represented as is the case now.

At quite an early stage I ventured to express the opinion that Hainault, Arion and Somme Kiss would play an important part in the Lincoln drama, and, so far, I have no cause to regret the fact. Hainault has for long been a firm favourite, and is likely to remain so until the all-important day. He is perfectly well, has been threatened with no recurrence of the knee rheumatism that troubled him just before the Cambridgeshire, and, up to date his trainer is perfectly satisfied with the progress he is making.

HORSE WATCHERS' DIFFICULTIES.

Arion after being under a cloud for a brief space, has been backed to win quite a lot of money during the past few days, and has been doing good mile work. Somme Kiss has been the subject of rumours, without number. His case has been described as hopeless even. For days he only did enquiring exercise, and he experienced a slump in the market that could only have been nerve-shattering to his early backers.

Colling has charge of this one, and his horses do their work on Choke Jade, Newmarket, where it is almost impossible for the horse watchers to see what really does transpire. Mr. Garland has, I know, been to see his horse gallop during the past few days, and after that visit Colling gave the assurance that the horse was all right. All the same, there appears to be some anxiety as to whether Somme Kiss will bear the strain of a wind-up preparation, and there I must leave the matter for the present.

A BOOKMAKER'S OPINION.

I have always held the opinion that the Grand National will take less winning this year than has been the case in the past. Travelling to a meeting recently with a well-known bookmaker, the latter made an offer to bet a substantial sum that not more than half a dozen horses "get round," and I fancy that man had good cause for the faith that is in him.

Of the three I originally selected as likely to furnish the winner, Waverley and Ally Sloper are the first line of favourites, but I must confess to a feeling of disappointment over the way in which Schoolmoney ran the last time out. Not that I am in a hurry to throw him over just yet.

Bernera was scratched yesterday, and with Limerock also out of the way the issue is gradually becoming narrowed. Whether Ballymacad will run as well as Ally Sloper is rather uncertain, but in any event it seems tolerably certain Lady Nelson's horse will be the trusted one from the Hon. Aubrey Hastings' stable.

Escott thinks Poethlyn had Water Bed beaten when the latter fell at Gatwick. In any event I would not counsel support of the latter just yet, for it is likely that as good a price as that now obtainable will be forthcoming for some time yet. Nor am I quite enthusiastic about Poethlyn. Still, with Pollen in the stable, Escott is in a splendid position to form a reliable opinion.

There is a growing disposition to back Ballyboggan, which, in the last seven attempts, has won twice and been placed twice. I have reason to believe that he stays well.

Ally Sloper will, I am informed, be started at the next meetings at both Gatwick and Sandown. From what was seen of him this week at Waverley he can do with a lot more work. At the present moment I am inclined to look upon him as possessing a "National" chance second to none. It is matter for regret that his customary pilot, Mr. "Jack" Anthony is at present down with influenza.

BOUVIERE.

COL. RUTHERFORD TO GO FOR TRIAL.

Court Drama That Took Only Five Seconds.

ECHO OF DE VEULLE CASE.

Lieutenant-Colonel Rutherford, D.S.O., of Carshalton Place, Surrey, was yesterday committed for trial at the Old Bailey, charged with the murder of Major Miles Seton.

It was Colonel Rutherford's eighth appearance at West London Police Court, and the proceedings lasted exactly five seconds.

Colonel Rutherford stood up while the magistrate, addressing him, said: "I now formally commit you for trial."

Accused then bowed and stepped quickly from the dock.

Major Miles Seton, it will be recalled, was shot on January 20, at 13, Clarendon-park, Holland Park-road, the residence of Sir Malcolm Seton.

A JUDGE'S PROTEST.

Mr. Justice Darling Complains of Delay in Committing for Trial.

Mr. Justice Darling made some comments yesterday at the Old Bailey on an application that the case of Colonel Rutherford (who he did not then know had been committed for trial) should be adjourned to next sessions.

"I see that the case was committed by the coroner as long ago as January 25," said the Judge. "Has not the magistrate been able yet to complete his investigation? What surprises me is that it has not been completed long ago."

"I have had an intimation about this case, and I see when it came on last, a week ago, all the evidence had been given, and the magistrate said he intended to commit for trial."

"Then there was a consultation between counsel, and Sir Archibald Bodkin applied to the magistrate to postpone the commitment for a week in order that the case should not come up at the present sessions."

"Sir Archibald Bodkin (prosecuting): Yes; that was after I had spoken to defending counsel, who said it would be impossible between that date and the present sessions to prepare the defence."

"The Judge: I don't admire the process. But, as the defence can't be ready, I shall grant the application. I hope people will remember what I have said, and that it is no good asking magistrates not to commit when they are prepared to do so for the purpose of throwing the case over."

DE VEULLE TRIAL PUT BACK.

Judge and Length of Time Accused Persons Are in Gaol.

Mr. Eustace Fulton, at the Old Bailey yesterday, asked that the case of Raoul Remy de Veulle, charged on the coroner's warrant with the manslaughter of "Billie Carleton," might be postponed to next sessions.

Mr. Justice Darling: The coroner committed this man on January 25, and he has been in gaol ever since, I understand.

Mr. Bridgeman (defending): It is not for want of application on my part that he is in custody. Mr. Justice Darling: When I am asked to put off a case I always look to see how long a person has been in custody. If these applications are very prolonged a man may serve the whole of his sentence before he is committed for trial. (Laughter.)

The case was adjourned until next sessions.

RING OF COTTAGES.

50,000 Model Houses Suggested for London's Outer Belt.

The conference of local authorities held in London has suggested the erection of 50,000 cottages throughout the outer belt of Greater London. Councillor Brooker has informed the Weybridge Council.

London itself is already congested, and consequently the outer belt should find accommodation in model cottages for London workers.

DEAN INGE'S LAMENTATIONS.

Dean Inge, in a Lenten sermon yesterday:—"In spite of the infinite labour and ingenuity that we had spent upon our industrial system, no one was contented."

"The Church might do a lot of mischief by rushing in between employers and employed." "I doubt whether this country will ever be as rich and prosperous as she was ten years ago." "The real genius of the English people was not for making money, but for higher things."

CAPTURED GUN GOES OFF.

While German guns were being unloaded at Croydon yesterday, a machine-gun went off. The gun passed through the head of a man named William Jones, who died instantly. Jones was discharged from the Navy a month ago.

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WOMEN L.C.C. CANDIDATES.



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Camberwell.



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Mrs. Montefiore (L.),
Hammersmith.



Mrs. Hudson Lyall
(P.), Camberwell.



Duchess of Marlborough, Progressive, for Southwark.



P204913
Mrs. L. Lambell (L.),
Lambeth.



P1213
Miss A. Hackney (P.),
Hackney.



P204934
Mrs. C. S. Granney
(L.), Battersea.

A number of women are standing for the London County Council to-day, either as Progressives (P.), Municipal Reformers (M.R.), Labour (L.), or Independent (I.).

OCTOGENARIAN ACTRESSES AT IRISH CONVENT.



These aged ladies, who have lived in the convent at Merrun, Co. Dublin, since girlhood, hold a dramatic class and recently produced "Little Lord Fauntleroy." All are more than eighty. — (Exclusive to *The Daily Mirror*.)



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AQUAPLANING.—An exhilarating form of locomotion at Palboon, California. A motor-boat tows them.



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THE BUTTERFLY FOLLIES.—The 19th Divisional Concert Party has entertained 1,500,000 men in the forward areas since 1915, and has given 2,000 performances. They have appeared under shell-fire.



FUNERAL OF AN HEROIC FIREMAN.—Four members of the Birmingham brigade lost their lives at a fire which broke out at the gasworks. The photograph shows an engine bearing the coffin of Fireman H. Dwyer, who endeavoured to rescue a workman who was gassed.



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IN AN AIRSHIP FACTORY.—Girl riveters putting together the framework of R 33, the new British super-Zeppelin. We have outpaced the Germans in the matter of these vessels.